



**Clarendon County Capital Improvement Plan Meeting**  
**Friday, January 25, 2013**  
**Council Chambers**  
**10:30 AM**

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**Those in attendance:**

County Council Chairman, Dwight L. Stewart, Jr.  
County Council Vice Chairman, William J. Frierson  
Councilman, Billy G. Richardson  
Councilman, AC English  
County Administrator, David W. Epperson  
Clerk to Council, Dorothy M. Levy

Councilman, Benton Blakely was absent

**Press in attendance:** Sharron Haley, The Item-Clarendon Bureau and Jack Justice,  
Clarendon Citizen

**Others in attendance included:**

Lynden Anthony

Chairman Stewart called the meeting to order at 11:03 AM with a prayer. He asked Administrator Epperson to explain the need for the executive session.

Administrator Epperson stated that the South Carolina Court of Appeals decided in a case that an employment contract entered into by County Council was a Legislative Act and not a Proprietary Act. He states that the Administrator's contract is only valid during the terms of the sitting council. He continued by stating that every two years a new council takes office and because Chairman Stewart and Councilman English were sworn in on January 2, 2013, a new council took office, so that necessitated the need to approve a new employment contract for the administrator.

**Executive Session**

Chairman Stewart stated that we needed a motion to go into executive session.

On motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted unanimous approval to go into Executive Session. The Executive Session began at 11:05 AM.

On motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted unanimous approval to come out of Executive Session and back into open session. The Executive Session ended at 11:16 AM.

#### **IV. Open Session**

Chairman Stewart stated that action would be taken on the Administrator's contract. He stated that the length of the Administrator's contract would change to a two-year contract to include some changes in the language of the contract. Chairman Stewart concluded that once the contract is modified, it would be available to the public.

On motion by Councilman Richardson and seconded by Councilman English, Council voted unanimous approval to change the terms of the Administrator's employment contract.

#### **V. 10-Year Capital Project Plan**

Administrator Epperson stated that since his tenure began as County Administrator he wanted to revise the county 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan. He stated that with the prior Capital Improvement Plan, some of the items have been completed or are in progress.

He stated that this plan is broken down in stages.

Courthouse Renovation	In progress	\$6,160,000	Rescue Unit and Fire Engine	1-2 Yrs.	\$850,000
New C & D Landfill	In progress	\$150,000	Alcolu Fire Sub-Station	1-2 Yrs.	\$65,000
DSS Building	1-2 Years	\$2,000,000	Refurbish Aerial Unit	2-3 Yrs.	\$500,000
Coroner's Department	3-5 Years	\$500,000	Wyboo Fire Sub-Station	3-4 Yrs.	\$250,000
Summerton Branch Library	4-5 Years	\$1,000,000	Davis Station Fire Sub-Station	4-5 Yrs.	\$85,000
Relocate Public Works Dept.	4-5 Years	\$500,000	Expansion J.C. Britton Park	10-12 Yrs.	Unknown
Summerton Fire Sub-station	In Progress	\$875,000	Airport Land Acquisition	10-15 Yrs.	\$250,000
New SCBA (air pack) units	0-1 Year	\$750,000	Library Building	10-15 Yrs.	\$6,500,000
Turbeville Fire Sub-station	1-2 Years	\$1,000,000	New Airport runway	15+ Yrs.	\$12,500,000

Lynden Anthony stated that this 10-year capital improvement plan is a working document and many of the dollar amounts are estimates. He stated that there are or will be outside monies to assist with these projects. He concluded by stating the USDA has grants that the county can apply for.

Chairman Stewart stated that he would like to see free Wi-Fi throughout the county. He asked what is the possibility of this happening and if the county should consider it.

Chairman Stewart stated that he would like to have council meetings on line.

Administrator Epperson stated that we could look into this.



Vice Chairman Frierson asked if it would be possible to move DSS and the Library in the old Wal-Mart Building opposed to building a new building.

Administrator Epperson stated that the life of the old Wal-Mart Building is 20 years and half of that is gone.

Councilman Richardson stated that he would like to see a Recreation Facility in the Summerton Area in the next 3-5 years.

Administrator Epperson stated that he would like to have Sub-stations throughout the county for the Sheriff's Department and the completion to the top floor of the Sheriff's Department.

Administrator Epperson gave council an update on the Water and Sewer projects Phase 1 and Phase 2. He stated that there are Phases 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 but no money has been allocated for these phases.

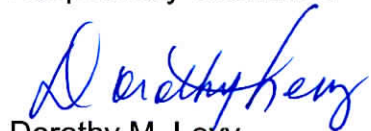
Administrator Epperson gave an update on the C-Fund Project. Mr. Epperson stated that the projected roads for 2013 are Pompey Town, William Gibbons, JW Carter (intersection widening), Hector Walker, Rimini Group to include Adams and Bowmar Trail, and JW Carter (North). He stated that the 2014 road-paving list includes Brogdon Road and Boston Wells, Wallace Road, and the Club House Road group. He concluded by stating that any new projects would be added to the road-paving list for 2015.

Chairman Stewart thanked everyone for organizing this Capital Improvement Plan Meeting.

### **XIII. Adjournment**

On motion by Councilman Richardson and seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson Council voted unanimous approval to adjourn the Capital Improvement Plan meeting. The meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted



Dorothy M. Levy  
Clerk to Clarendon County Council

